

Cities Connecting Children to Nature

CCCN Catalytic Assistance Agreement

The National League of Cities (NLC), through its Institute for Youth, Education and Families, and Children & Nature Network (C&NN) are pleased to provide the City of Saint Paul with a \$12,000 Cities Connecting Children to Nature Catalytic Assistance for the grant period **March 27, 2020 through October 31, 2020**.

The grant is intended to support your city's implementation of its CCCN vision and plan to increase equitable and abundant connections between children and nature. Grant funds may be spent on costs identified in the project budget submitted with your Catalytic Assistance proposal in February 2020, subject to any refinements discussed in March 2020.

In addition to funding, this grant includes responsive technical assistance, access to CCCN resource, and peer learning opportunities. By accepting the CCCN Catalytic Grant, the City of Saint Paul agrees to:

- Continue to pursue the implementation of a CCCN vision and strategies, with continued support and engagement from city leadership.
- Keep CCCN project staff apprised of planning progress, including setbacks or unexpected challenges throughout the grant period through periodic calls and correspondence.
- Share progress implementing the CCCN vision through a public blog and/or case study prepared by CCCN staff.
- Leverage other CCCN resources such as the Peer Learning Network discussion forum and CCCN knowledge products.

Counterparts: The parties may sign this Agreement in counterparts, each of which constitutes an original, but all of which together constitute one instrument.

Electronic Signatures: The parties agree that the electronic signature of a party to this Agreement shall be valid as an original signature of such party and shall be effective to bind such party to this Agreement. The parties further agree that any document (including this Agreement and any attachments or exhibits to this Agreement) containing or to which there is affixed, an electronic signature shall be deemed (i) to be "written" or in "writing," (ii) to have been signed and (iii) to constitute a record established and maintained in the ordinary course of business and an original written when printed from electronic files. For purposes hereof, "electronic signature" also means a manually signed original signature that is then transmitted by any electronic means, including without limitation a faxed version of an original signature or an electronically scanned and transmitted version (e.g. via PDF) of an original signature. Any party's failure to produce the original signature of any electronically transmitted signature shall not affect the enforceability of this Agreement.

To accept this grant and facilitate the transfer of funds, please complete and return this CCCN Catalytic Assistance Agreement and attached ACH Vendor Form via email to Alvera Feeny at feeny@nlc.org by **April 26, 2020**.

By signing this document, I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the grant provisions set forth in this letter for the National League of Cities' *Cities Connecting Children to Nature* initiative.

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National League of Cities

City of Saint Paul



Its: Clifford M. Johnson
Executive Director, YEF Institute
May 5, 2020

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